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24 July 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR: Office of General Counsel

SUBJECT:

[redacted] "Two Years  
Continuous Service Abroad"

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1. In May 1953 your office rendered an interpretation of the above regulation. The final paragraph read as follows:

"In arriving at what constitutes a reasonable time, it is necessary to look to some norm or standard. Such a standard is found in the definition of "continuous service" as applicable to the regulations promulgated by the Civil Service Commission. There it is stated that continuous service means an active duty status but may include not more than one break in service of less than 30 calendar days. Therefore, it would seem that leave without pay of less than 30 calendar days would not constitute a break in the continuity of service abroad and could be considered a reasonable time."

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2. [redacted] departed for her overseas assignment in September 1952. She has been in a LWOP status on emergency leave in the ZI for the following periods:

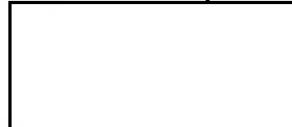
6 December 1952 - 5 January 1953  
10 May 1953 - 28 June 1953

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3. The field has inquired if the above quoted paragraph should be interpreted to mean that [redacted] will have to start her two year tour again effective 28 June 1953.

4. We would appreciate your interpretation in this particular case.

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